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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, May 4, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, May 4, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 1100 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/MtVernonIL>.

Mayor John Lewis called the meeting to order.

Council Member Mike Young led the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

The roll call showed present: Council Member Joe Gliosci, Council Member Donte Moore Council Member Jay Tate, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journals for the April 20, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting, April 13, 2026 Special City Council Meeting, and the November 6, 2023 Executive Session were presented for approval.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Journals as presented. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

Audience member April Dawn addressed the Council concerning the need for a speed limit sign to be placed in the 200 block of North 9th Street stating that there is no sign in that area and vehicles are speeding down that road. April Dawn stated they have a special needs child and would like to see a speed limit sign and/or a special needs child warning sign. Mayor John Lewis responded that he would have the City Manager pass that along to the City Engineer and that it would be looked into.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to the Council for approval.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,387,042.10. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

BIDS/QUOTES

None.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for the City-wide Pavement Striping Project 2026. This is the first step in preparing to do our in-house asphalt overlay projects.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for the City-wide Pavement Striping Project 2026. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for the Asphalt Milling for the 2026 Annual Street Maintenance Program.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for the Asphalt Milling for the 2026 Annual Street Maintenance Program. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented for First reading of an Ordinance to Increase the Number of Package Sales Liquor Licenses. An individual is interested in opening a package liquor store in the strip mall by Lowe's in the store front where Game Stop was located. This would increase the number of Package Licenses from 9 to 10.

FIRST READING ONLY.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution to use Motor Fuel Tax for In-house Road Improvements. Before the City begins the bidding process for utilizing MFT funds we have to adopt this Resolution and the next one.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve a Resolution to use Motor Fuel Tax for In-house Road Improvements. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. #2026-17.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution to Use Motor Fuel Tax for Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve a Resolution to Use Motor Fuel Tax for Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. #2026-18.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving Amendments to a Previously Adopted Agreement with KPH IL44, LLC, Regarding the Purchase of Solar Power. This amends the Agreement for the solar farm project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The energy produced by the original plan was more than the system would allow. Due to the capacity constraints, Keystone Power is proposing to build a small-scale solar farm that Ameren would be able to approve. This would be downsizing from 1300 kW to 750 kW. While the amount of energy produced will be decreased, Keystone is still offering the same rate as the original proposal (6.59 kWh). Over the same 30-year period the savings are estimated to be \$1,986,848.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve a Resolution Approving Amendments to a Previously Adopted Agreement with KPH IL44, LLC, Regarding the Purchase of Solar Power. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. #2026-19.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution in Support of Municipal Housing Authority. This Resolution is an initiative by the Illinois Municipal League in opposition of the Governor's BUILD (Building Up Illinois Development) Plan. While IML recognizes the need for new affordable housing development, they also recognize that the plan presented by the Governor presents a one-size-fits-all approach statewide. IML is presenting a legislative proposal REAL (Reducing Expenses and Advancing Local Housing Act), which preserves local authority and advances achievable housing affordability.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve a Resolution in Support of Municipal Housing Authority. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. #2026-20.

MAYOR

Mayor John Lewis presented for the advice and consent of City Council the Appointment of Mike Carbonaro to the Police and Fire Commission.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to accept the Appointment of Mike Carbonaro to the Police and Fire Commission. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

Mayor John Lewis wanted to recognize members of the community for what they have done to help local veterans. Mayor Lewis then asked Former Mayor David Keen to speak to the Council.

David Keen invited Justin Matthews and Cory Norville with Alpha and Omega Construction to come forward. Keen explained that Alpha and Omega Construction supply new roofs for Veterans through a partnership with the Owens Corning Roof Deployment Project. He presented a letter of thanks from the Jefferson County Board and Resolutions from Illinois State Representative Dave Severin, Illinois Senator Terri Bryant, and Congressman Mike Bost. In addition, he presented them with an American flag that was flown over the U.S. Capitol provided by Congressman Bost's office.

Keen then invited Paul Shah, Sales Specialist with Lowe's, to come forward. He thanked Mr. Shah for his help in recently providing shingles for Rachel Chapman's home. Ms. Chapman was present and thanked Lowes and Alpha and Omega Construction for putting on a new roof and saving her home. In addition, Lowe's recently installed the fencing around the Veterans Memorial at Veterans Park.

Mayor Lewis then presented Certificates of Appreciation to Justin Matthews and Cory Norville of Alpha & Omega Construction and Paul Shah with Lowe's for their efforts in helping with roofs for local veterans. City officials also recognized Keen and Council Member Donte Moore who provide help to local veterans.

CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Joe Gliosci thanked everyone for their efforts in helping veterans.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Becky Barbour".

Becky Barbour, City Clerk